

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert the following on Page 1, between lines 8 and 10 (below the title):

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

1. Field of the Invention--;

Please insert the following on Page 1, between lines 19 and 20:

--Discussion of the Prior Art--

Please insert the following on Page 2, between lines 19 and 20:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--

Please amend the paragraph beginning on Page 2, line 23 to read as follows:

~~--In accordance with the invention that object is attained by a pyrotechnic composition having the features of claim 1~~ for producing IR-radiation comprising fluorinated spherical, carbocyclic cage molecules or polymers with such fluorinated cage molecules as monomers are included as an oxidation agent, and a halophilic metal combining with fluoride in an exothermic reaction or such a metal alloy is contained as a fuel. Preferred configurations and developments of the pyrotechnic composition according to the invention are recited in the appendant claims.

Please insert the following on Page 3, between lines 9 and 10:

--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION--